



Joint 2008 Annual Meeting
National Society for Black Physicists (NSBP)
National Society for Hispanic Physicists (NSHP)

Second Circular

General Information

This is the second announcement of the 2008 joint annual meeting of the National Society for Black Physicists (NSBP, www.nsbp.org) and the National Society of Hispanic Physicists (NSHP, www.hispanicphysicists.org) to be held at the Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington (DC, USA) on February 20-23, 2008.

Additional information on the program can be found at the NSBP web site:

<http://www.nsbp.org/conference>

NSBP seeks to develop and support efforts to increase opportunities for African Americans in physics and to increase their numbers and visibility of their scientific work. It also seeks to develop activities and programs that highlight and enhance the benefits of the scientific contributions that African American physicists provide for the international community. The society seeks to raise the general knowledge and appreciation of physics in the African American community.

NSHP seeks to promote the professional well-being and recognize the accomplishments of Hispanic physicists within the scientific community of the United States and within society at large. It also seeks to develop and support efforts to increase opportunities for Hispanics in physics and to increase the number of practicing Hispanic physicists, particularly by encouraging Hispanic students to enter a career in physics.

The program for the 2008 meeting is almost in its final stage and most of the plenary and invited speakers have been confirmed. The complete list can be found on the NSBP conference website. Amongst others: Zebulon Vilakazi (iThemba Labs), Elisabeth Beise (UMd), Jorge Piekarewicz (FSU) for Nuclear and Particle Physics, Charles Thomas (OHSU), Jarod Finlay (UPenn), Marcelo Vasquez (BNL/NASA) for Medical Physics, Lenny Susskind (Stanford), Meg Urry (Yale), Juan Maldacena (Princeton), James Lindesay (Howard) for Cosmology, Gravitation and Relativity, Jim West (Johns Hopkins), Charles Thompson (UMass) for Acoustics, Rachel Ivie (AIP), Barbara Moseley-Davis (SEE), Gwendolyn Boyd (Johns Hopkins) for Women in Physics and Herbert Winful (U of M) for Photonics and Optics.

NSBP/NSHP 2008 will also provide 30 min long tutorial presentations for undergraduate students for each of the physics topics that will be covered during the conference. These tutorials have been scheduled so as not to overlap with each others to permit possible rotation between them for interested students.

Registration & abstracts submission

Information on registration fees, travel support and abstract submission can be obtained from the NSBP conference website: <http://www.nsbp.org/conference>.

Important dates

- 3rd and final circular: **January 15, 2007**
- Abstract submission open: **by September 3rd, 2007**
- Deadline for submission of abstracts: **December 21, 2007** at 5:00PM (US Eastern time)
- NSBP Conference: **February 20-23, 2007**

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